

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Queen of the Year.

When suns are low and nights are long
And winds bring wild alarms,
Through the darkness comes the Queen
Of the year.

In all her peerless charms,
December, fair and holly-crowned,
With the Christ-child in her arms,
The maiden months are a stately train,
Veiled in the splendor of the year,
Or decked with the bloom of Paradise
What time the roses blow,
Or wreathed with the vine and the yellow
winet.

When the moons of harvest glow,
But, oh, the joy of the toiling year,
The queen with peerless charms,
Is she who comes through the waning
light.

To keep the world from harms,
December, fair and holly-crowned,
With the Christ-child in her arms,
Edna Dean Proctor.

To-Day's Events.

The Tuesday German Club will give its annual dance of the winter in Maunio Temple this evening.

Christmas decorations and the Christmas spirit will be much in evidence, and the affair promises to prove an altogether delightful, as the dances of this club have always been.

The debutantes will be out in full force, as well as the belles of this and past seasons.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Branch McAdams will lead the many new and graceful figures of the German.

Patronesses for the evening are Mrs. Leola Jones, Mrs. Pauline Robinson, Mrs. Thomas Joel L. Perry, Mrs. Edmund Benson and Mrs. Charles E. Boyce.

In Honor of Miss Taylor.

Mrs. David T. Williams, of No. 29 East Franklin Street, will be hostess to-day at one of the prettiest and most delightful card parties of the season in honor of Miss Evelyn Taylor and a number of her friends.

Shackleford—Page.

A marriage in which many Richmond relatives and friends of the contracting parties will be interested, and which was attended by a number of Richmond society people, took place in Grace Episcopal Church, Cobham, Va., Saturday afternoon last, at 6 o'clock, when Miss Evelyn Taylor, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Shackleford, became the bride of Mr. William Walker Shackleford, of the Episcopal High School, near Alexandria, Va. The Rev. Edward Valentine Jones, rector of the church officiated.

The church was beautifully decorated with running cedar, holly and other evergreens, and myriads of candles with red shades cast a rosy glow over the scene.

Miss Selma Nelson was at the organ and played the wedding marches, and during the ceremony, "O, Promise Me."

The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Hugh Shackleford Morrison, of this city, as dam of honor, and by Misses Isabel Lewis, of Richmond; Virginia Ruffin, of Prince George county; Margaret Douglas Boyden, and Mary Barnes Shackleford, of Clement; Mary Ashley Shackleford, of Stony Point, Va.; and Margaret Timberlake, of Fauquier Springs, as bridesmaids.

Page, of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, acted as best man, and the groomsmen were Mr. William C. Shackleford, Mr. John Walker Shackleford, and Mr. Colquitt Shackleford, all of Albemarle county; Mr. Hugh Shackleford Morrison, of Richmond; Mr. William Douglas Jones, of Washington, D. C.; and Mr. Robert E. Page, of Richmond, Va.

The bride was given away by her father. She was elegantly gowned in white crepe de chine. Her train was caught with a coronet of orange blossoms, and she carried a bride veil.

The dam of honor was also in white crepe de chine, and carried white carnations. The bridesmaids wore charming gowns of white organdie, with broad red sashes.

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Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Prof. Charles Eliot Norton.

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Mistletoe and Holly

By THOMAS A DALY.

Thomas A. Daly is a well known and most successful writer for newspapers and magazines, and his verses are widely read and deservedly popular.

The mistletoe is gemmed with pearls,
Red berries hath the holly.
Remember, all ye modest girls,
The mistletoe is gemmed with pearls,
And when it hangs above your curls,
Away with melancholy!

The mistletoe is gemmed with pearls,
Red berries hath the holly.
Since mistletoe is hard to find,
We do not need it, Mollie.
Oh! do, I beg of you, be kind—
Since mistletoe is hard to find,
Pretend that you are color-blind,
And kiss beneath this holly.
Since mistletoe is hard to find,
We do not need it, Mollie.

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In deference to the Christmas season they carried branches of holly tied with red ribbon.

After the ceremony there was an elegant reception at "Millwood," the home of the bride's parents.

Among the guests who attended from a distance were: Miss Mildred Nelson Page and Mrs. E. W. Page, of the University of Virginia; Mr. O. C. Shackleford, Miss Ashley Davis and Miss Maude Garth, of Charlottesville, Va.; Mr. John Hanson Boyden, of Washington, D. C.; Mr. R. H. Shackleford, Jr., of the University of Virginia; Dr. William C. Shackleford and Mr. Conway Shackleford, of Pittsburgh, Pa.

The bride is a young lady of unusual grace and beauty, and is well known here, where she has frequently visited. She belongs to the historic Page family of Virginia.

The groom is the son of Dr. and Mrs.

William C. Shackleford, of Stony Point, Albemarle county, Va. He is a graduate of McIntire's University School of this city, and took his master's degree at the University of Virginia several years ago. He is now teaching at the Episcopal High School, near Alexandria, Va., and will take his bride there after the holidays.

Gathright—Miles.

The Third Presbyterian Church will be the scene of a very pretty wedding this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, when Miss Rosa Garland Miles, daughter of Mr. William James Miles, will become the bride of Mr. Raymond Lee Gathright, the Rev. Dr. R. D. Eggleston officiating.

The altar will be decorated with palms and other decorations will be in Christmas greenery. Miss Fannie Taylor will preside at the organ, playing the Bridal Chorus from "Lohengrin" as the processional, Mendelssohn's Wedding March as the recessional, and "The Flower Song" during the ceremony.

Mr. Drury Miles, the bride's brother, will be best man, and the following will act as ushers: Mr. Charles H. Fraley, of Newport News; Mr. William Pearman, Mr. R. Elliott Duvall and Professor C. B. Miles, of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

Miss Annie M. Bland, of King and Queen county, will attend the bride as maid of honor, and will wear a beautiful costume of cream voile and a white picture hat with touches of pink panne velveteen. Her flowers will be pink carnations.

The bride will be gowned in a tailor-made traveling suit of dark blue cloth, with hat and gloves to match, and will carry a shower bouquet of white roses.

Mr. Gathright and his bride will go by boat to Philadelphia and other Northern cities, and will be at home after January 15th at No. 236 East Marshall Street.

The bride party and a few friends were delightfully entertained Tuesday evening in the home of the bride.

Miss Miles wore a pretty gown of white mull. Assisting her were Miss Annie Bland, in white organdie; Miss Kate Leitch, in champagne silk; Miss Ethel Redwood, in cream colored silk; and Miss Jessie Seale, in white crepe de chine.

Norsworthy—Tignor.

The marriage of Miss Nannie James Tignor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Tignor, of No. 311 West Cary Street, to Mr. Richard Randolph Norsworthy, of Norfolk, will take place this evening at 8 o'clock in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

The Rev. Thomas Semmes will officiate, assisted by the Rev. John Ridout. The service will be read from a white-kid copy of the marriage vow, given to the bride by the Rev. John Ridout, assistant rector of the church.

The bride will be attended by her sister, Miss Grace J. Tignor, as maid of honor, and Misses Anne Drew, Etta Harris, Sarah Anderson and Fannie Powers, as bridesmaids. Little Miss Mary Rankin will be flower girl, and Miss Lelia Pall and Benetta Hulce will hold the ribbons. Other attendants will be the best man, Mr. Clarence Griffin, and the ushers, Messrs. Wyatt Atkinson, Frederick Krenkel, Charles Vial and Walter Slaughter.

Miss Sarah de Hart will have charge of the music. The bride party was formally entertained in the home of the bride last evening.

The young couple will leave for Smithfield, Va., to attend a family reunion at the home of the groom's parents. Later they will go for a Northern tour, and will make their home in Norfolk, where Mr. Norsworthy is employed in the construction department of the navy yard.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamrick at Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Hamrick, who were quietly married here two weeks ago, left Virginia on the 15th for their home in Shelby, N. C., where they are spending Christmas. Mrs. Hamrick has enjoyed great popularity here as Miss Natalie Harris. She was educated at the Woman's College and has spent a good deal of time in Richmond. Her wedding to Mr. Hamrick was to have taken place at her mother's home, at Frederick's Hall, but the scare about smallpox made

it impracticable to have the wedding celebration there, and the couple were quietly married at the residence of Mr. Pettit in this city.

Personal Mention.

Miss Ellen Guigon is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Chesley Kinney, in Staunton.

Dr. J. J. Scherer has returned to his home in Marion, Va., after assisting at the installation of his son, the Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr., as pastor of the First Lutheran Church, in this city.

Mr. Oscar Hedrick, of the Medical College here, is spending Christmas at his home in Muskeville, Va.

Mr. John A. Mose, of Bristol, is spending the holidays with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kenneth Weaver and little son, Kenneth, are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Faulkner in North Kent Street, Winchester, Va.

Mr. William Royall Warriner, of the University College of Medicine, is spending the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Warriner, at Crews, Va.

Mrs. M. A. Horner and Miss Virginia Horner are the guests for the holidays of Mrs. Charles Larmer, in Bristol, Va.-Tenn.

Professor C. B. Miles, of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, is here to attend the marriage of his niece, Miss Rosa Garland Miles, to Mr. Raymond Lee Gathright.

Mr. Charles H. Fraley, of Newport News, is also attending the Gathright-Miles wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Erskine Miller, of Staunton, Va., are spending the holidays with Mrs. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fraley, at No. 26 East Franklin Street.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Price, and Mr. William Price, have gone to Bristol to spend the holidays with relatives.

The Misses Rider and Miss Emma Atkinson, of Staunton, are the holiday guests of Major and Mrs. James H. Doolley, at "Maymont."

Mrs. L. C. Jeffress left Friday night to visit her mother and sister in Bristol, Va.

Mr. J. H. Parkins is spending the holidays with his family in Augustana.

Mrs. Thomas Lyons, of Charlottesville, will go South about the middle of January to spend some time.

Miss Florence Black has returned from Staunton, where she went to accompany Mrs. J. E. Herndon, who has been very ill in Memorial Hospital here.

Mr. Howard Winston, of the University of Virginia, is spending the holidays at No. 215 East Franklin Street.

Miss Gertrude L. Brinkhaus will leave for her home, in Boston, to-morrow, after spending several months at the Jefferson in this city. She will return to Virginia early in the spring to take charge of the Massachusetts school exhibit at the Jamestown Exposition.

Miss Frances Hardy, of Harrisonburg, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. K. M. Hardy, in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. King, of Bristol, have announced the approaching marriage of their daughter, Mary Irene, to Mr. William Trig Newman, the ceremony to take place in the home of the bride's parents Wednesday morning, January 24, at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Henry E. Hughes, who has been attending college here, has gone to his home, in Staunton, to spend the holidays.

Mr. Oscar Bowen, of Richmond College, and Miss Alta Bowen, of the Woman's College, are spending Christmas with their parents in Mecklenburg county.

DANCE AT M'KENNEY.

Pleasant Event of Christmas Eve. Many Participate.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) M'KENNEY, VA., December 25.—The young men of this place, sympathizing with those who had to be up at a late hour in order to follow the footsteps of Santa's children, gave a dance, which was enjoyed greatly by the following couples: Miss Vivian T. Boleau and Mr. J. Henry Ligon, Miss Margaret Harrison and Mr. Archibald C. Boleau, Miss Maude Butterworth and Mr. George D. Powell, Miss Annie Gray Harrison and Dr. M. Percy Davis, Miss Nettie Butterworth and Mr. Sanford Harrison, Miss M. Lewis, of Raleigh, N. C., and Mr. Willie Baker, of Staunton, Miss Eva Butterworth and Mr. John T. Zehner, Miss Bettie Powell and Mr. John P. Batte, Stacey A. Kennedy Powell, G. C. Boleau, Porter Haskins, Edwin Penser, Graham Harrison, Reuben Thrift, Richard Harrison, R. E. Lewis, W. J. Branch and John L. Pickrell, Chapmans—Mrs. W. J. Branch and Mrs. W. T. Carter, Jr.

Miss Maude Butterworth, who is attending school in Petersburg, is spending the holidays at her home at the dance.

Miss Vivian T. Boleau, a student of the State Normal School, at Farmville, Va., is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. W. J. Branch.

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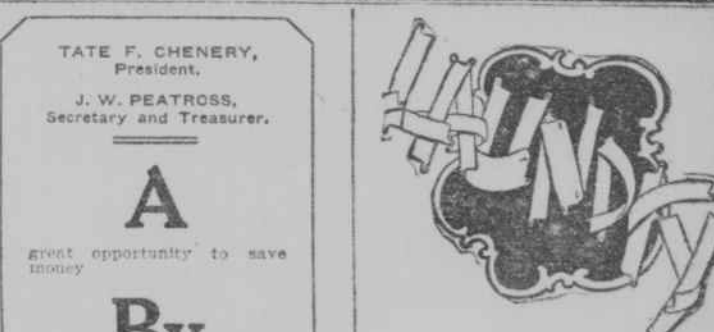
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